

BY THE KING.

A PROCLAMATION ANENT THE WEIGHT

OF DOLLARS.



HARLES by the grace of God King of Great Brittaine, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith: To Our Lovits

Messengers, Our Sherisses, in that part conjunctly and severally, specially constitute, greeting. For same ikle as the Lords of Our Privie Councell, having taken into their consideration the prejudice Our Lieges sustaines through an unwarranted interruption of the course of Dollars, Ryalls, and Cardecues, to the great undoing of commerce among Our Subjects: For remeid whereof in time coming, and that Our Lieges be not abused with Forraine Coyne, at prices farre above the true worth and weight thereof: Wee, with advice of the Lords of Our Privie Councell, according to the Acts formerly made thereanent, ordaine Rix Dollars to have course among Our Subjects for sifty

foure shillings, the same being alwayes sisteene drop weight, with eight graines of remeid: And Crosse Dollars to passe for fifty three shillings foure pennies, the same being alwayes fourteen drop weight, two part drop, and having eight grains of remeid: And the Ryalls to passe for fifty three shillings foure pennies, the same being fourteene drop weight, having foure graines of remeid: And Cardecues for nineteene shillings, being five drop weight, having two graines of remeid: and the halfes and quarters of the faids speces proportionable. And We command the saids speces of money, being of the weights above-written, to be received by all Our Lieges in payment of debts, or any other manner of exchange. And Wee discharge all course and passage of the saids speces being under and within the weights particular above specified. And sicklike Wee discharge all Merchants, and others Our Subjects, to bring into this Our Kingdome, any forraine Coyne of the speces foresaids, under and within the saids weights, and that without any remeid, under the paine of confiscation of the moveables of the in-bringers; the one halfe to Us, and the other halfe to the party Informer. At I Wee ordaine all Provests and Baillies of Burrowes, Sheriffes, Justices of peace, and others Magistrates and Ministers of our Lawes to Burgh and Land, to see this Act observed within their bounds, as they will be answerable upon the duetic of their Offices. OUR WILL IS HEREFORE, and Wee charge you straitly, and commands, that incontinent these Our Letters seene, you passe, and in name and authority make publication hereof by open Proclamation at the mercate crosses of the head Burrowes of this Our Kingdome, and others places needfull, wherethrough none pretend ignorance of the same. The which to doe, Wee commit to you conjunctly and severally Our full power, by these Our Letters, delivering the same, by you duelie execute and indorsed, agains to the bearer. Given under Our Signet at Edinburg to the 15. day of April, and of our Reigne the eighteenth wear, 1642